The NCAR/EOL Field Catalog

An Information Repository For Use In Field Projects

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I'm Just Demonstrating; Greg Stossmeister et al. are the Architects

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It is <u>not</u> a data archive, but a guide to the data

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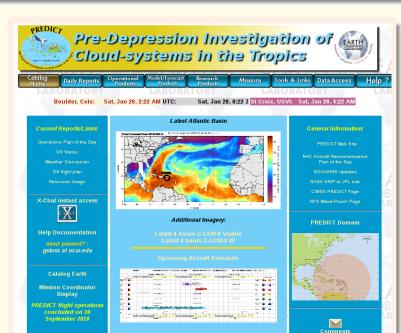
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- 5 Links to in-field (preliminary) data
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Daily Reports

Operational Products

Model/Forecast Products

Research Products Missions

Tools & Links Data Access

Help?

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Current Reports/Links:

Weather Discussion

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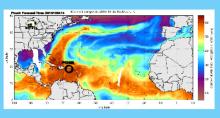
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PREDICT Web Site

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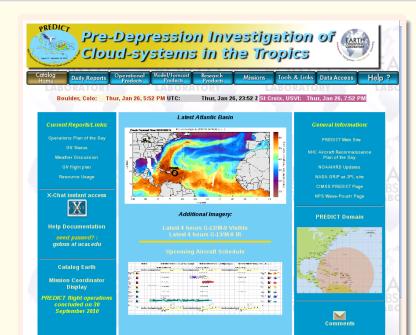
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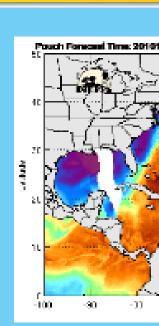
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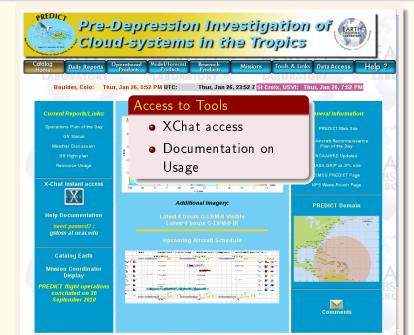
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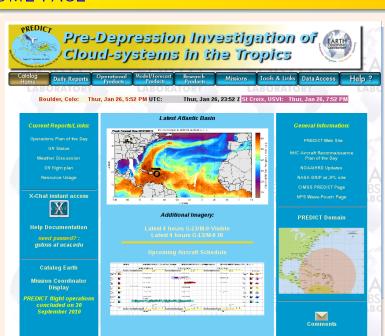
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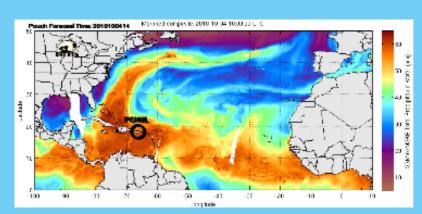
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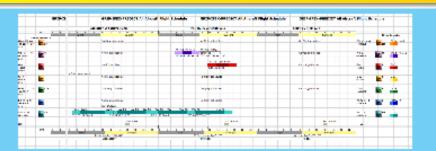


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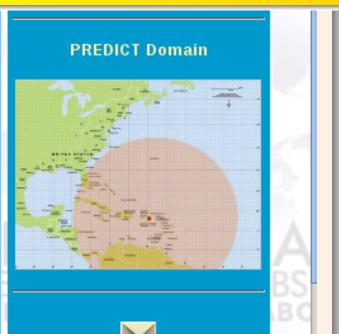
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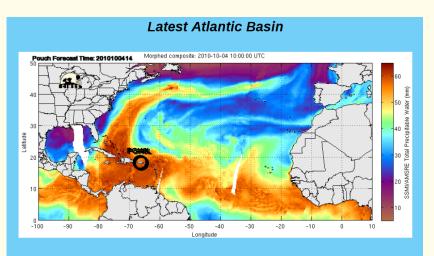
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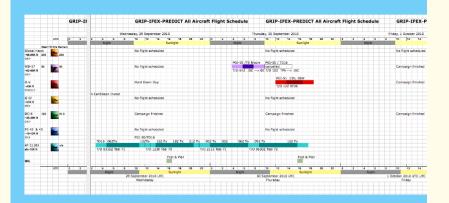




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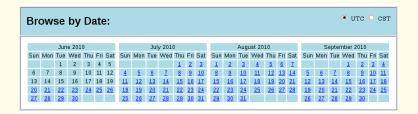
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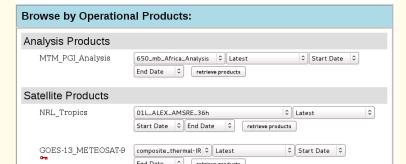
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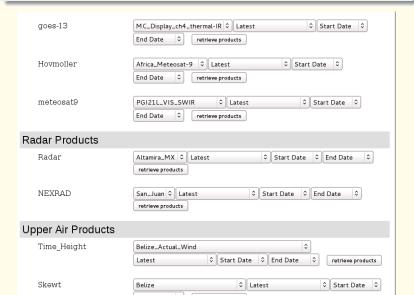
OPERATIONAL PRODUCTS

Stored By Date / Time





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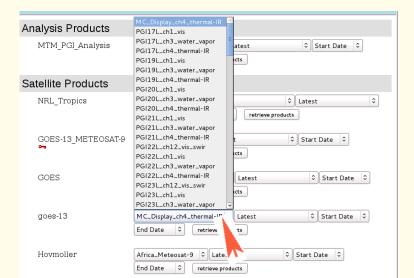


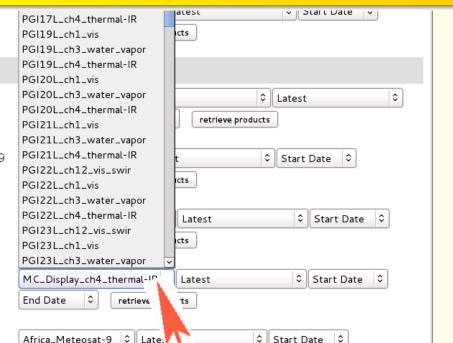
Includes Satellite, Upper Air, Surface, etc.

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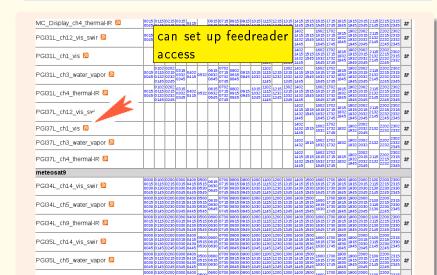
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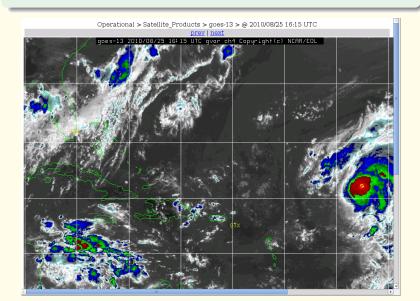


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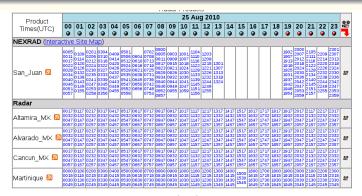
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Example: GOES IR

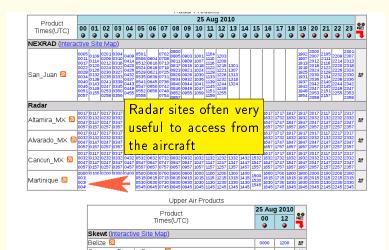


Radar and Sounding Examples

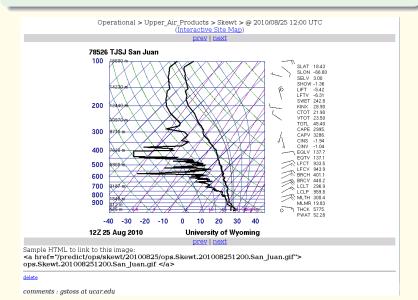


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Radar and Sounding Examples



Available in Skew-T plots



Model Products:

- SHIPS Intensity
- NCEP EMC Track
- Marsupial Pouch
- NCAR WRF ARW
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Similar Tools for Feedreader and Movies

Easy access: Select times and click symbol,

Example For A Specific Date

Available Model Products for 2010/08/25 UTC

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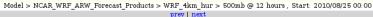
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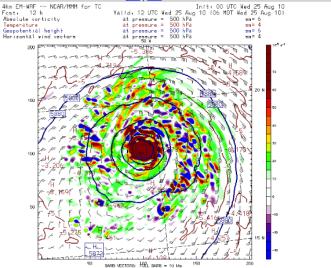
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Example Model Images





Typical Operations Reports

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- Status of equipment
- Flight Plan

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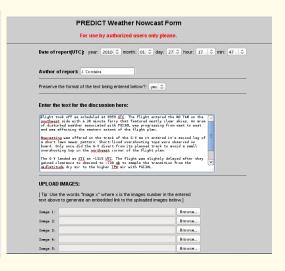
EXAMPLE: Weather Discussion

- Entry Boxes: date, author
- Text entry boxes for:
 - review of previous day's forecast and current conditions
 - 24 h outlook
 - 24-48 h outlook
 - extended outlook
- Ability to upload images and include links to them

Example: "Nowcast" Form

Procedure:

- set date and name
- type in entries, using "Image 1" etc to refer to images
- set files for upload in image windows
- click "upload" button (uses FTP, needs password)
- result: text with links to images in the catalog



Example Weather Forecast - excerpt

Discussion: a. Synoptic Broad upper-level ENE flow was observed over the Southeast U.S. and the Gulf of Mexico on the poleward side of a weak trough that's persisted over the Caribbean (Fig. 2). The cold low mentioned in previous discussions was located to the NNW of Puerto Rico and continues to show signs of shearing apart as it merges with cyclonic flow on the southwest portion of the upper-level trough. Mid to upper-level flow does seem to be favoring the development of cyclonic vorticity northwest of this cold low near ~23N 72W. Extremely dry mid to upper-level air in the central Atlantic is evident in GOES water vapor imagery (Fig. 2). while two main areas of low to mid-level dry air can be seem in TPW imagery: a mid-latitude dry air intrusion with subsidence above is located to the west and southwest of PGI30L, while a SAL outbreak is located just east of PGI30L and north of PGI31L (Fig. 1). A deep layer ridge is currently steering PGI30I to the WSW, while the persistent region of deep convection near PGI31L continues to favor development of this large area of elongated (though consolidating) vorticity centered ~500-600 km SW of PGI31L. Farther east in the North Atlantic the weak shortwave over the western Sahara has lifted out and the ridge to the east has built westward. This has helped re-establish an E-W oriented subtropical

Example Weather Forecast - accompanying figure

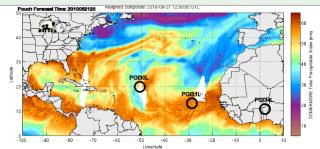


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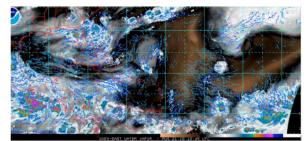


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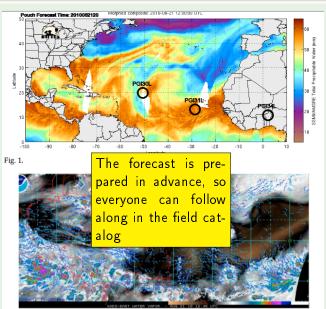
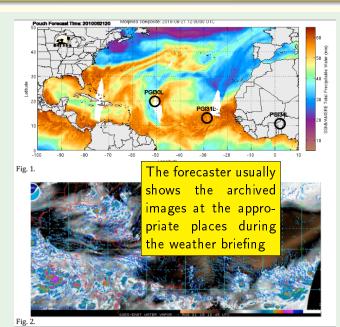


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Flight Scientist Summary (excerpt)

Author of Report: Michael Bell

Type of Event: RF06, 2010/08/30 09:07 - 2010 08 30 18:07

Research flight 06 was conducted into PGI36L from Barbados after the evacuation of the G-V due to Hurricane Earl (Image 1). The models indicated a well-developed pouch, with sustained convection evident in satellite imagery near the center of the pattern prior to take-off. Take-off was 0900 UTC, with a 1:20 hour ferry to the first drop point. Surface winds were the strongest on the northeast side of the pattern, with whitecaps visible from the aircraft at 1222 UTC (Image 2). The proximity to Barbados allowed for an extended dropsonde pattern of 30 sondes, centered on the pouch sweet spot, and a low-level circulation became evident in the earth-relative frame from the real-time display (Image 3, 1319) UTC). Several overshooting tops were visible throughout the flight (Image 4, 1357 UTC) that frequently matched with the satellite identifications provided by the CIMSS algorithm, providing high

DAILY REPORTS Status of GV Instrumentation

PREDICT NCAR_GV Instrument Status Report

Date of report(UTC): 2010/09/21 12:00 Author of report: schanot Submitted at/UTC): 2010/09/22 15:15

Remaining flight hours: 56.6

General Comments:

Research flight rf21 (5.9 hrs) was flown into PGI-46. Pattern restricted by lack of access to Venezualian airspace. NASA DC-8 filed to cover, but was denied acces

INSTRUMENTS/SYSTEMS STATUS

= up; = provisional; = down; = no report

RAF-Supplied Instrumentation Airborne Data System Comment: occational DSM drops on left wing Aircraft Position, Velocity and Attitude Comment: Static Pressures Comment GPS and Pressure Altitude Comment: Novatel/Globalstar GPS OK, Garmin required an in-flight reset Ambient Temperature Comment one high IWC events. 6. Flow Angle Sensors, Radome Comment ADIFR & BDIFR affected by ice. Use IWD & IWS for 2D winds **Dew Point and Humidity** 7 Dew Point sensors Comment DPR - OK; New DPL this fit, Range not adequate to reach low values - bad for fit Comment 8. TDL Humidity 9. PMS Liquid Water Sensor (King) (PLWC) Comment: 10 Raw Icing-Rate Indicator (RICE) Comment: DSM would not boot. Bad power supply 11. VCSEL Hygrometer Comment low laser power levels during fianl descent Wing Stores 12. UHSAS Comment: usual issues as flight progresses, water in filter? 13 Cloud Droplet Probe (CDP) Comment: DSM would not boot. Bad power supply 14. Microwave Temp Profiler (MTP) Comment 2D-C Particle Imager (25µ) Comment: minor gaps, in-flight DSM auto reboots occurred Small Ice Detector (SID-II) Comment

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Summary of Missions



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Other Special Products

- Special soundings from the surface
- COSMIC soundings
- Special-use plots (sometimes generated for transmission to the GV)
- links to data archives containing preliminary "quick-look" data

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